



**AGENDA OF CITY COUNCIL
(TELECONFERENCE)**
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WESTFIELD, MASSACHUSETTS
AUGUST 20, 2020 AT 7:00 PM

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WESTFIELD CITY CLERK

Pursuant to Governor Baker's March 12, 2020 Order Suspending Certain Provisions of the Open Meeting Law, G.L. c. 30A, §20, and the Governor's March 15, 2020 Order imposing strict limitation on the number of people that may gather in one place, this meeting of the City of Westfield **CITY COUNCIL** will be conducted via remote participation. Specific information can be found on the City of Westfield website at www.cityofwestfield.org. For this meeting, members of the public who wish to listen to the meeting may do so by tuning into Channel 15 or online at westfieldtv.org. No in-person attendance of members of the public will be permitted, but every effort will be made to ensure that the public can adequately access the proceedings in real time, via technological means. In the event that we are unable to do so, despite best efforts, we will post on the City's website an audio recording, transcript, or other comprehensive record of proceedings as soon as possible after the meeting.

ROLL CALL

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR

1. Requesting acceptance of a Grant in the amount of \$30,445.45 from FEMA through the 2019 Assistance to Firefighters Grant to the Fire Department, with a matching funds of \$3,044.55, to come out of the existing Fire Department operating budget.
2. Appropriation of \$110.52 from the Ambulance, Supply account #21002310-540000 (FY21) to Ambulance, Supply account #21002310-540000 (FY20), for a prior year bill.
3. Appropriation of \$5,223.04 from Community Preservation Undesignated (FY21) account #24101770-580000 to Community Preservation Account Paper Mill Playground (Recreation) account #24101770-580400-5310.
4. Appropriation of \$100,000.00 from Community Preservation Historic (FY21) account #24101770-580200 (\$50,000.00) and Community Preservation Undesignated (FY21) account #24101770-580000 (\$50,000.00) to Community Preservation Westfield Woman's Club Building (Historic) account #24101770-580200-5120.
5. Appropriation of \$150,000.00 from the Community Preservation Undesignated (FY21) account #24101770-580000 to Community Preservation Account Country Club Drive Greenway Connector (Recreation) account #24101770-580400-5309.

REPORTS OF CITY OFFICERS

PETITIONS, REMONSTRANCES, AND OTHER PAPERS

6. Neil Petrucelli, d/b/a gr8onlinestuff, 180 Root Road applying for a Junk Dealer's and Junk Collector's license (a Public Hearing is required).

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Finance Committee

7. Motion of Councilor Allie, amended by Councilor Onyski, that the view tax be eliminated, limited, or reduced and that the water tax be also reviewed.
8. Motion of Councilor Flaherty requesting that the Capital Plan be updated by the first meeting in May and such plan should include edits and status updates for items that were listed on the most current capital plan.

Legislative and Ordinance Committee

9. Submitting an Order of Taking of Real Estate at 47.5 Shepard Street as it relates to the Westfield River Levee Right-of-Way by right of eminent domain for the purpose of maintenance of the flood control dike structure. Also submitting an Order of Appropriation in the amount of \$52,000 from the Flood Control Department, Judgments, account #12990000-576000 for the Taking.
10. Motion of Councilor Bean to review all ordinances and licensing around outdoor dining and Refer to L & O and Law.

MOTIONS, ORDERS OR RESOLUTIONS

11. Motion of Councilor Bean requesting update on the hiring of two positions:
Personnel Director & City Solicitor refer to Mayor Humason
12. Motion of Councilor Bean requesting update on plans and procedures to open City Hall to the public refer to Mayor Humason
13. Motion of Councilor Bean requesting update on the hiring of the Auditor's position refer to Councilor Figy
14. Motion of Councilor Bean to request the Mayor to create a "grant writer's" position for the City of Westfield, including job description, posting and funding source and refer to Mayor Humason.
15. Motion of Councilors Adams, Allie, Bean, Beltrandi, Burns, Figy, Flaherty, Morganelli, and Sullivan to investigate the process for removing the Fire Chief position out of civil service and refer to Law, Personnel and Mayor.
16. Motion of Councilor Allie to discuss ways to help small businesses that were forced to remain closed by state. Refer to Mayor and Finance Committee.